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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed April 6, 2001, entry of the attached substitute specification and drawings is respectfully requested.

Applicants earnestly solicit an early examination on the merits. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any further information is needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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